

Our goal as a team is to collaborate together to create a energetic and interesting learning environment for our students. Through teaming we will be able to understand and know the students better, create a personalized environment, a create connections to different subjects.

Structuring learning in this way allows learning to be more personal as well as creates belonging. This technique is emerging in schools across the world. If you have any questions feel fee to ask. We welcome questions

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#### Lets talk!

For the four of us as educators, we feel as though effective teaching and learning are centered on educating the *total child*. This includes introducing the students to a wide range of perspective & a variety of sources to gain knowledge from. We believe that applying knowledge in a personal way, encouraging dialogue and critical thinking, working in diverse groups, as well as creating an open minded, respectful environment for learning are necessary for a young mind to flourish and reach it’s full potential. Most importantly, we purposefully keep the unique needs of middle school students in mind.

Geneva School

Ms. Shanahan, LA

Mrs. Roman, Social Studies

Mr. Mullen, Science

Mrs. Delvecchio, Art

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Team Green Geckos

# for parents:

## Team Green Geckos

How can I become more involved?

* Attend school events highlighted in the monthly brochures
* Remain in contact with your student’s teacher(s) via written, verbal, or email communication
* Participate in our culture sharing program

Can I help keep my student on task?

* Keep a homework calendar
* Provide a well lit space for them to work quietly regularly
* Help your child budget their time
* Model strong organizational skills at home
* Encourage your child to attend school everyday unless he/she is ill

How can I keep my student interested?

* Help the student connect events to real life situations
* Encourage performance at the highest level

**The Business**

**When**: Saturday April 9 @ 10:00 AM

**Who**: Students, Families, Staff, & Community

**What**: Come check out the show! Local employers & employees will be coming to school to discuss their professions & accomplishments. We will walk to the Kraft Plant down the street and be given a tour by the *President* (speaking at The Business & Geneva School Alumnus).

**Ooo, Can I Try?**

**When:** Friday April 22 @ 5:30 PM

**Who**: Students, Family, & Staff

**What**: Bring your favorite family dish or something you enjoy to make to our Pot-Luck Culture Dinner. Don’t forget to add an artifact (vocab word) that goes along with your dish!

**The Great Debate**

**When**: Tuesday May 10 @ 6:00 PM

**Who**: Students, Families, & Local Politicians

**What**: Welcome to the Mock Debate. Campaigning has begun for the 2012 presidency and we are following the reports. Students from the debate club will show off their skills alongside their political mentors from Urbantown.

Il Museo

When: Wednesday May 25 @ 3:00 PM

Who: Student participants, Family, Friends

What: After introducing different types of cultural art and sharing it with schoolmates, the participants have honored us by displaying their work in an Italian themed museum night. Refreshments will be served. Don’t forget your program when you walk in.

# get connected: family & community involvement

## Q&A